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IDENTIFICATION AND COUNTING OF BIOLOGICAL CELLS

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed September 14, 2004, Applicant hereby provisionally elect Group I, claims 1-I1 for continued examination.

The Examiner has required restriction between:

Group I - claims 1-11, drawn to composition; and

Group II - claims 12-18, drawn to method.

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Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 22-0185, under Order No. 20198-00059-US from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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Respectfully submitted,

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